

Amendment No. 1 to SB1668

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Signature of Sponsor

**AMEND Senate Bill No. 1668\***

**House Bill No. 1654**

by inserting the following new section immediately preceding the penultimate section and renumbering the subsequent sections accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_.

(a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, State Route 421 in its entirety (lying in Decatur and Hardin counties) is hereby designated the "SMSgt. Franklin R. Bledsoe Memorial Highway" as a lasting tribute to an officer and gentleman and resident of the Hinkle community of Hardin County whose valiant service in the military for twenty-three (23) years and his love of his family, his fellow citizens, and his country, stand as enduring examples of all the characteristics that have ensured the continued freedom of our nation and the preservation of its ideals over the course of our history.

(b) The department of transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating State Route 421 as the "SMSgt. Franklin R. Bledsoe Memorial Highway".

(c) The erection of the signs must be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, and within state supplemental guidelines, as applicable.

(d) The appellation "SMSgt. Franklin R. Bledsoe Memorial Highway" provided for in this section is for honorary purposes only and this section does not require the alteration of any address, or the governmental system for assigning addresses, in any county, municipality, or other governmental entity affected by this section.

(e) This section does not require the alteration of any previously named segment of State Route 421 described in subsection (a) as the "SMSgt. Franklin R. Bledsoe Memorial Highway".

(f) This section becomes operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of the signs is paid to the department of transportation from nonstate funds within one (1) year of the effective date of this act. The payment must be made prior to any expenditure by the state for the manufacture or installation of the signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to the person or entity paying for the signs within thirty (30) days of the erection of the signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the difference in the costs must be remitted to the department in nonstate funds within thirty (30) days of the sponsoring person or entity receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.